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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: M. Hato et al. : Art Unit:
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 For: LIGHTING UNIT AND :
 LIGHTING APPARATUS
 USING THE SAME UNIT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, DC 20231
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Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 4 and 6 with the following amended claims:

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- 1 4. (As Amended) A lighting apparatus comprising:
 2 a lighting unit including
 3 a switch device for performing electrical ON-OFF by depressing said
 4 pushbutton; and
 5 an EL device including a light-emitting section corresponding to said
 6 pushbutton provided to at least one of above and under said switch device,
 7 wherein the light-emitting section of said EL device includes at least one of
 8 an optically transparent electrode layer and a backplate layer, formed partially on
 9 an optically transparent insulating base, and both of the layers and a light-emitting
 10 layer, selectively laminated on the optically transparent insulating base; and